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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Sokawa & Liu

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FOR: **COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATMENT AND
METHOD OF MONITORING HEPATITIS C
VIRUS USING INTERFERON-TAU**

EXAMINER: Wortman

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Sir:

This amendment is submitted concurrently with a Request for Filing a Continued Prosecution Application. Prior to examination, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the claim amendments and to consider the following remarks, which are in response to the Final Office action dated October 8, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.